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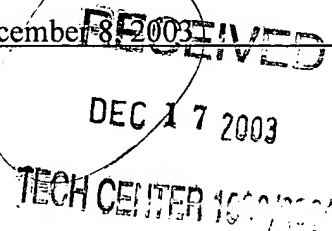
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This document is filed in response to the Office action (Restriction Requirement) dated October 6, 2003. A one-month period for response was set, making a response due on or before November 6, 2003. A petition for a one-month extension of time accompanies this Response, along with the necessary fee, making a response due by December 6, 2003. Since this date occurs on a Saturday, a response filed no later than Monday, December 8, 2003, is timely. If the Commissioner concludes that additional fees are required, deposit account authority is provided on the attached transmittal sheet.

An **Amendment to the Specification** is on page 2 of this Response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this Response.

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